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ABSTRACT

A system and method of providing digitized media content from a remote server through a data network is disclosed. A local content server at the premises of the subscriber hosts an agent process and includes a memory for storing the digitized content. The digitized content may be streamed on demand to client devices through the agent process for a subscription period. However, the subscriber is prevented from otherwise accessing the digitized content from the local server. Also, the digitized content delivered from the remote server to the local server is combined with encoded data identifying the subscriber.